



Population Health Webinar Notes

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The Johnson County Department of Health and Environment and the KDHE Syndromic Surveillance Program are promoting the 2018 Kansas Infectious Disease Symposium to be held May 10th and 11th. This symposium will bring partners and stakeholders from Kansas and neighboring states to the Kansas City region to discuss infectious disease outbreaks and their surveillance, detection, and investigation. There will also be specific syndromic surveillance-related discussion, presentations, and trainings hosted during the conference. In particular, please note the Pre-Conference Surveillance Training to be hosted by KSSP and focus on syndromic surveillance tools and practices.

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63 flu outbreaks have been reported to KDHE since the beginning of the 2017-2018 influenza season. Kansas is still reporting widespread activity in the state and overall, influenza-like illness is high as reported by our ILI-net sites. Nationally, some states have begun to trend down but Kansas is still seeing about 12% of visits to our ILI-net sites being attributed to the flu.

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The percentage of emergency department visits for influenza-like illness, as reported through our syndromic surveillance program is also still very high. Although this data source is showing a downward trend.

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The percent of deaths associated with pneumonia and influenza has also been higher this season compared to the previous two flu seasons.

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Kick Butt's Day, Tuesday March 6th is a national day of activism empowers youth to stand out, speak up and seize control against Big Tobacco. Sponsored by the Resist program all who are interested in participating should register by following the link on the slide. The day will be filled with activities including advocacy training, social media scavenger hunt, and an opportunity to speak with legislators. If you have questions about Kick Butts Day or Resist please direct them to Jordan Roberts, she can be reached at (785) 291-3418 or you can email her at Jordan.Roberts@ks.gov.

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The Sexual Violence Prevention Education program is announcing the recipients of their Community Needs Assessment Funding. They awarded three organizations including Johnson County Department of Health and Environment, Finney County Community Health Coalition, and the Sexual Trauma and Abuse Care Center in Lawrence. Each of their contracts is currently routing. If you have questions about Sexual Violence Prevention Education in the state or about the grant contact Laurie Hart her contact information is provided on the slide.

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Calling all Kansas Community Health Workers be sure to save the date for the annual symposium. Held this year at Wichita State University. The one day symposium will be highlighting the theme **“Cultivating Empowerment through Education, Employment and Connectivity.”**. For those interesting in leading a break out session proposals are still being accepted through this Thursday, March 1. Also if you are interested in having a vendor booth at the event contact Alissa Rankin and her information is provided on the slide.

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Early Detection Works Breast and Cervical Program is asking for participation in training. Two trainings are offered. Contact Rita Davenport or Suzanne Duckworth, their information is on the slide, and say which training you are interested in either as a first timer or as a refresher. Also if you're curious about what EDW does have those questions ready and talk to Rita and Suzanne and they will get you squared away.

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In celebration of National Poison Prevention Week , March 18-24, 2018, the Kansas Poison Control Center invites individuals, organizations, and institutions around the state to come together to help us promote the daily, life-saving work of poison centers, as well as educating the children and adults in your communities on poison safety through educational outreach.

- According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), poisoning is the leading cause of injury death in the United States.
- In 2016, poison centers managed 2.7 million cases, about 2.2 million of which were about people coming into contact with dangerous or potentially dangerous substances (exposures).
- Despite the high volume of calls, poison centers treated almost 70 percent of cases at the exposure site, saving American taxpayers millions of dollars in medical expenses and lost productivity.